

Music development plan summary: St. Oswald's CE School, Ashbourne, Derbyshire.

Overview

Detail	Information
Academic year that this summary covers	2024-2025
Date this summary was published	November 2024
Date this summary will be reviewed	July 2025
Name of the school music lead	Felicity Morgan
Name of school leadership team member with responsibility for music (if different)	
Name of local music hub	Derby Music Hub
Name of other music education organisation(s) (if partnership in place)	

This is a summary of how our school delivers music education to all our pupils across three areas – curriculum music, co-curricular provision and musical experiences – and what changes we are planning in future years. This information is to help pupils and parents or carers understand what our school offers and who we work with to support our pupils' music education.

Part A: Curriculum music

This is about what we teach in lesson time, how much time is spent teaching music and any music qualifications or awards that pupils can achieve.

Our Music policy is published on our school website.

We follow the Charanga Original curriculum, adapted for our school, published on the school website.

Music is taught in assemblies (listening and singing), by a Music Specialist weekly for one year, and in timetabled classroom lessons in every class.

Part B: Co-curricular music

This is about opportunities for pupils to sing and play music, outside of lesson time, including choirs, ensembles and bands, and how pupils can make progress in music beyond the core curriculum.

Our Music Specialist runs a lunchtime club for ukulele players. We also offer individual or paired lessons with our peripatetic woodwind teacher. These lessons are discounted for children from lower-income families. We have strong links with our local church and pupils are able to enjoy musical opportunities there also.

All KS2 pupils are able to take home a percussion box, and a ukulele. Annually we publish information about many music opportunities in our area including local children's choirs, the brass band, and private music teachers. We also advertise the Derby Music Hub clubs and groups.

Part C: Musical experiences

This is about all the other musical events and opportunities that we organise, such as singing in assembly, concerts and shows, and trips to professional concerts.

All the children in KS1 and KS2 sing in a fortnightly singing assembly. We enjoy singing together and rehearse songs for our church and celebration services.

Children in EYFS and KS1 learn the songs for their Christmas show, and Year Six children perform songs as part of their final show.

Visits are arranged to see a pantomime or festive performance at least annually. Visits are also arranged to see concerts and musical performances in Ashbourne. Musicians are invited to play in assemblies. Musicians from the local secondary school are invited to sing and play at certain services, and the children in each class perform songs and poems to the rest of the school at these occasions also.

In the future

This is about what the school is planning for subsequent years.

Our School Music Development Plan shows our ideas for improving the quality of Music Education in our school.

- timetabled music of at least one hour each week of the school year for KS1 and 2
- develop our lessons in music composition and improvisation
- ensure space for rehearsals and individual practice
- opportunity to enjoy live performance at least once a year
- staff to receive training from the Derby Music Hub in teaching handbells
- all KS1 and KS2 children to learn how to play the handbells
- staff training provided in using digital music resources
- develop our links with our local church, secondary school and community groups
- increase our provision and availability of instrument lessons
- explore new ways for children to hear live music